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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) (Parent Case:
Sunada et al.) Art Unit: 2854
Serial No. Unknown) Examiner: Williams, K.)
Filed: 10/30/2001)
For: INNER PAPER GUIDE FOR)
MEDIA SHAPE CONTROL IN)
A PRINTER)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examining this case on the merits, kindly
amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph appearing at page 1, line 28,
to page 2, line 5, with the following:

91 --A problem arises in that the trailing edge 12A
of the picked sheet is unconstrained after leaving
the pick roller. Because of the stresses applied to
the picked sheet in the print zone, the unconstrained
shape of the sheet after leaving the pick roller is
significantly rotated about the forward pinch
roller 16. This is illustrated in FIG. 1, in which
the constrained state prior to leaving the pick
roller 10 and pinch roller 13 is indicated as sheet
12 with trailing edge 12A, and the unconstrained state
is indicated as sheet 12' with trailing edge 12A'.
This results in a rapid print medium shape change in

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